

# Fiscal Note 2009 Biennium

Bill#		HB0528		Title:	Revise st names	rate document systems to reflect actual
Primar	y Sponsor:	Thomas, Bill		Status:	As Introd	luced
 ☑	C	Local Gov Impact the Executive Budget	Needs to be included. Significant Long-Te		<b>Ø</b>	Technical Concerns  Dedicated Revenue Form Attached

#### FISCAL SUMMARY

T	FY 2008 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2009 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2010 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2011 <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures: General Fund	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown
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Revenue:	**			+ 0
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown

<u>Description of fiscal impact:</u> HB 528 requires all state agencies information technology systems (IT) to accommodate the correct spelling of an individual's name and to include that correct spelling on public documents. The cost of potential IT system modifications cannot be estimated.

# FISCAL ANALYSIS

### **Assumptions:**

- 1. The bill requires the Department of Administration, Information Technology Services Division (ITSD), to adopt rules that require all state agency information technology systems to accommodate the correct spelling of an individual's name, including apostrophes, hyphens, and commas, and to include that correct spelling on public documents. ITSD will incorporate these requirements into its ongoing policy development processes. The Legislative Branch would develop its own policies/rules to comply with this bill.
- 2. Each state agency that owns and operates an IT system which contains individual names will evaluate the IT system to determine compliance with these requirements. Depending upon the IT systems that are determined to need modification, the systems may be modified by state IT staff/programmers and other systems that are proprietary to a commercial vendor may need to be modified by the vendor. These costs

for system modification cannot be estimated at this time. An example of potential costs is \$143,500 over the 2009 biennium to evaluate and modify the six computer systems owned and operated by the Legislative Branch. This cost does not include the house and senate voting systems which are already scheduled for replacement.

## **Effect on County or Other Local Revenues or Expenditures:**

1. Local governments provide a significant amount to input to state databases. Implementation of HB 528 could cause a significant, but unknown cost to local governments if they were required to modify their software systems to conform to the requirements of the bill.

# **Technical Notes:**

- 1. The legislation does not address non-English language characters which may be part of an individual's name.
- 2. State agencies, particularly the Department of Public Health and Human Services, have IT systems that interface with IT systems owned and operated by the federal government. If errors exist in the federal system and the state corrects errors in its computer system, links between the two systems could be lost.

Sponsor's Initials	Date	Budget Director's Initials	Date